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My dear Girish,

Thank you for your letter which I have just received. Yes, Narayan has been putting up to me letters from time to time though there have not been many. I thought rather than bother you with copies at Matheran, you may see them when you return. The contents of the letters are not such as would set the Ganges on fire!

Regarding the forthcoming general election and the degree of our participation in it I feel that a meeting should be arranged in Bombay when Mr. Sundaram is here and at which we could ask Masani to participate along with Kejriwal and one or two others. A holiday is meant to be a holiday and not merely a change of location to continue to worry about such matters.

About the manifesto what I am convinced is that consulting pressure must be brought on JP to assume the leadership of a new party with a minimum programme which promises good and clean government. I am planning immediately the exams are over to write to JP myself and plead with him in my own little way to undertake it as I am convinced that otherwise the movement will get dissipated. Meanwhile however we should get copies of the manifesto of various parties and ask Narayan to pursue it by writing letters to all parties listed by the Election Commission.

I have reminded Srikumar about the papers for the Suit in Delhi. Narayan is meeting today some person concerning the electricity. The jeep problem still remains unresolved. A friend of mine (Azis Madni) approached Subramaniam saying that he had an immediate buyer, but it turned out the man was willing to pay not more than Rs.3,000/-. I naturally declined to accept this offer.

Don't apologise for "bothering" me. After all I am your Joint Secretary even if I have not yet got the telephone.

With kind regards to you and Sudhaben.

Yours sincerely,

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